

Appln. No. 10/053,631
Amendment dated August 30, 2004
Reply to Office Action of June 18, 2004

Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1 and 4, amend claims 2 and 3, and add new claim 5 as follows. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Cancelled).

Claim 2 (Currently Amended). The food and drink ordering system in the eating and drinking place according to Claim ~~1~~ 3, wherein a card reader for reading the information recorded in a card having the function of making settlement of the charge for purchased goods and services is set in the customer's table, and the control unit has a settlement function of making settlement of the charge for the customer's meal from the information of the card read by the card reader.

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Claim 3 (Currently Amended). ~~The~~ A food and drink ordering system in ~~the~~ an eating and drinking place enabling a customer to order any desired food and/or drink from the customer's table and

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providing the order to a food and drink supplying place according

15 to Claim 1, further comprising:

image display means and order input means for inputting
information on food and drink being ordered, both of which are
provided at the customer's table;

order display means, disposed at a food and drink supplying
20 place, for displaying information on a content of an order and
location at which the order was placed;

a control unit having a menu display function of displaying
information regarding food and drinks on the image display means
at the customer's table and an information function providing
25 information on the ordered food and drink to the food and drink
supplying place when the customer selects an item displayed on
the image display means by use of the order input means; and

carrying means for carrying food and drinks from the food
and drink supplying place to the customer's table, and

30 wherein the control unit includes an image control function
of allowing enabling an image displayed on the image display
means to change one after another in accordance with developments
of the ordered food and drink being delivered carried up to the
designated customer's table via the carrying means, the image
35 control function providing so as to provide the customer with

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information on the status of the arrival of the ordered food and drinks to the customer's table.

Claim 4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (New). The food and drink ordering system in the eating and drinking place according to Claim 3, further comprising a select mechanism for selectively delivering the ordered food and drinks to the customer's table in response to
5 the control unit.